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**SENATE BILL**

**No. 635**

**Introduced by Senator Alarcon**

February 22, 2005

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An act relating to pupils, ~~and making an appropriation therefor.~~

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 635, as amended, Alarcon. Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) program.

The existing Budget Act of 2004, appropriates \$9,035,000 for the Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) program to provide training to teachers and school leaders and assistance to schools in implementing the program to help pupils who might not otherwise attend college prepare for, and be successful in college.

~~This bill would appropriate \$10,000,000 from the General Fund to the State Department of Education for the support of the program. The bill would require \$4,100,000 to be expended to restore funding to the program and targeted to secondary schools that rank in the 1st to 5th deciles on the Academic Performance Index and \$5,900,000 to be expended to augment funding for the program and targeted to secondary schools that rank in the 1st to 5th deciles on the Academic Performance Index. The bill would make these amounts applicable toward the minimum funding requirements for school districts and community college districts imposed by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution.~~

*The bill would make legislative findings and declarations regarding that program.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: ~~yes~~-no. Fiscal committee: ~~yes~~ no. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declare all of the following:

(a) Eleven percent of the pupils in the first to fifth deciles on the Academic Performance Index are African-American and 69 percent are Latino.

(b) Funding for the Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) program that has been, or is proposed to be, reduced should be restored and targeted to secondary schools that rank in the first to fifth deciles on the Academic Performance Index. Restoration of this funding will allow the state to reach an estimated additional 30,000 pupils in 300 secondary schools with proven strategies to help high school pupils pass the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) and take Advanced Placement (AP) courses, which will make those pupils competitive for admission to the state's colleges and universities.

(c) Funding for the AVID program should be augmented and targeted to secondary schools that rank in the 1st to 5th deciles on the Academic Performance Index. Augmenting the funding for the AVID program is the most cost-effective way to reach an estimated additional 90,000 low-income, disadvantaged pupils in 900 of the neediest secondary schools and would dramatically increase the number of underrepresented pupils eligible for, and attending, the University of California and the California State University.

~~SEC. 2. The sum of ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the State Department of Education for the support of the Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) program for expenditure as follows:~~

~~(a) The sum of four million one hundred thousand dollars (\$4,100,000) shall be expended to restore funding to the AVID program and targeted to secondary schools that rank in the 1st to 5th deciles on the Academic Performance Index.~~

~~(b) The sum of five million nine hundred thousand dollars (\$5,900,000) shall be expended to augment funding for the AVID program and targeted to secondary schools that rank in the 1st to 5th deciles on the Academic Performance Index.~~

1     ~~SEC. 3.—For the purposes of making computations required by~~  
2     ~~Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution, the~~  
3     ~~appropriation made by this act shall be deemed to be “General~~  
4     ~~Fund revenues appropriated to school districts,” as defined in~~  
5     ~~subdivision (c) of Section 41202 of the Education Code for the~~  
6     ~~2005-06 fiscal year and be included within the “total allocations~~  
7     ~~to school districts and community college districts from General~~  
8     ~~Fund proceeds of taxes appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,”~~  
9     ~~as defined in subdivision (c) of Section 41202 of the Education~~  
10    ~~Code for the 2005-06 fiscal year.~~